

Ben Franklin Texas
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 My best friend your most
 affectionate welcome letter
 come to hand for which
 I am ever so grateful
 I am getting a truck and
 it is nearly there much
 I wish you had got here
 it is so long since we
 attended to each other
 you some time soon
 we shall all be glad you
 are going to Lingling
 I hope you will have
 a good time and I hope
 I can see you soon
 now I don't see you